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## **General Business Corporation Instruction Sheet**

Here is information we hope you will find useful in considering the formation of a Missouri Corporation.

- 1. The name of the Corporation:
  - A. The name must be distinguishable upon the records from the name of any domestic corporation currently in existence, any foreign corporation which is qualified and in good standing, limited partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, limited liability limited partnership or a name which is currently reserved.
  - B. The corporation name may not be one that might falsely imply governmental affiliation.
  - C. The words Cooperative, Bank, Insurance Company and Redevelopment may not be used in a corporate title for a Chapter 351 or 355 corporation.
  - D. Name Check. Before drafting articles of incorporation it is imperative that you check with this office concerning the availability of the desired name. This may be done by mail or telephone by calling either (573) 751-4153 or (866) 223-6535 (toll-free). You may also select the Online Business Services business entity search at *www.sos.mo.gov*. Even though a name may have been checked with us for availability, checks, letterheads, seals or share certificates ordered prior to incorporation are purchased at your own risk. We recommend that nothing be printed until a name is incorporated by this office and you have received your certificate of incorporation.
  - E. Reservation of corporate name. If you wish, you may reserve a corporate name in advance. You may request a reservation with either a letter or forms from this office. A name may be reserved for 60 days, and a fee of \$25.00 must accompany a reservation of a corporate name. The name may not be reserved for more than 180 days.
- 2. The corporation must have a registered agent and office **in** Missouri, which may be an individual or registered corporation in Missouri.
- 3. The incorporation fee is \$58.00 if no more than 30,000 shares are issued and the par value does not exceed \$30,000. If either amount is exceeded the fee is based on "authorized capital." The fee is \$55.00 for any amount up to \$30,000 and \$5.00 more for each additional \$10,000 of authorized capital. To this total, add \$3.00 for the filing fee.

- 4. While a corporation may have only one director and one incorporator, it must fill the position of both president and secretary. These officers may be the same person. See Sections 351.315 and 351.360.360, RSMo.
- 5. The articles of organization must state the event by which the limited liability company is to dissolve. The event may state that the company will dissolve upon the occurrence of a specific event; a set number of years or upon reaching a specific date in the future; or the duration may be perpetual, meaning there is no expiration.
- 6. The articles listing the purposes should include at least one sentence which defines the specific purpose for which the corporation is organized (e.g. what it will do to make a profit). You may also include, if desired, a statement "and all other legal acts permitted general and business corporations."

Feel free to call our office toll-free at (866) 223-6535 with any questions you may have concerning these instructions.

Sincerely,

Jason Kander Secretary of State



## **Articles of Incorporation**

Article One			
The name of the corporation is			
	Article Two		
The registered agent's name is			
The address, including street and no (PO Box may only be used in addition to a p	umber for the registered agent's office in the state of physical street address)	Missouri:	
Street Address	City	State/Zip	
	Article Three (Must complete 1 or 2)		
1. If the aggregate number of share valued DOES NOT exceed \$30,0	s in which the corporation shall have authority to issu 000 please check this box: $\square$	the DOES NOT exceed 30,000 shares or the par	
	or		
exceeds \$30,000 dollars please i	res in which the corporation shall have authority to indicate the number of shares of each class and the pations, limitations, restrictions and the special or relaass:	par value of each share. Also, indicate a state-	
	Article Four		
The name and physical business or	residence address of each incorporator:		
Name	Address	City/State/Zip	
	(Please see next page)		
Name and address to return filed of	document:		
Name:			
Address:			
City, State, and Zip Code:			

## **Article Five**

The number of years the corporation is	to continue or perpetual: (Please select one)	
☐ Perpetual (check box)	or State number of years	_
The corporation is formed for the fo	Article Six ollowing lawful purpose(s):	
☐ The number of directors to constitute	Article Seven te the board of directors: (optional)	
The effective date of this document is th	ne date it is filed by the Secretary of State of Missouri	unless a future date is otherwise indicated
	(Date may not be more than 90 days after the filing date is	n this office)
In Affirmation thereof, the facts stated a (The undersigned understands that false)	above are true and correct: statements made in this filing are subject to the penalt	ies provided under Section 575.040, RSMo
Signature of Incorporator(s)	Printed or Typed Name Name of Incorporator(s)	Date of Signature